

The Grapeland Messenger.

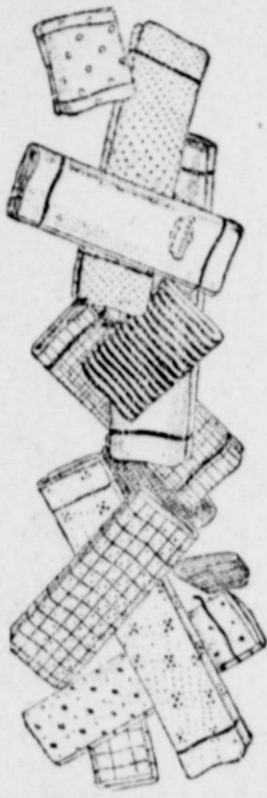
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GRAPELAND, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1913

\$1.00 PER YEAR

Civic Development and Improved Highways are Short Cuts in the Chase for Commercial Supremacy

Don't Fail!



To see Kennedy Bros. big stock of merchandise when in Grapeland, for they have the largest and best selected stock of goods in this part of the county and are saving their customers money on every purchase made of them. Our stock of merchandise consists of—

- Dry Goods
- Men's and Boys' Clothing
- Men's and Boys' Hats
- Suit Cases, Trunks and Hand Bags
- Men's, Boys', Ladies' and Children's Shoes
- Parasols
- Men's Work and Dress Gloves

in fact, everything in the dry goods line you will find at our place. Come in and see us and let us talk it over

Kennedy Brothers
The Store for Everybody

RIPPLES ON THE TRINITY

July 7.—The good old summer time seems to have arrived and even the cats were hunting a cool place yesterday and Saturday evening.

The rain brought corn out of the kinks wonderfully, but will need another about the last of the week to carry it on to completion. Cotton is spreading itself like a green bay tree, and doing its level best, and open hot weather is all it needs just now.

Yesterday was an extra day for us at the church and we hope some good work was done. It was the Methodist's day, but they gave way to the Baptists. G. B. Kent was ordained Deacon, and Lenard Kent, Clerk. It was the only day Bro. Williams could get help, hence the conflict. C. A. Campbell made a fine talk on the qualifications of a Deacon, which is applicable to all Christians and this puts them in working order with one of as good preachers as there is in the county, (not in the country, as the Times man made us say in one of our letters to the Times.)

We had a good attendance at Sunday School and it being so warm, Bro. Henderson did not preach, but just gave us a short Sunday School lecture, which is never out of place. Some of us are trying very hard to get up some enthusiasm along religious lines, and need all the help and encouragement we can get, as some are cold and indifferent.

G. B. Kent and family, and W. L. West, wife and baby mixed with the people of Porter Springs on the 4th and am sure they had a nice time.

Mrs. C. H. Beazley is spending the week on the farm and enjoying the quiet from the noisy town.

Miss Mary Lee McCann of Crockett is also a guest in our midst, and we speak for her a nice time.

J. H. Beazley came in one day last week from his outing over the State and am sure he has something to tell.

J. L. Chiles says the bee tree in his yard has been taken out and his neighbors need not be afraid to come to see him any longer. It had some honey, but it was not rich.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bridges of Elkhart were in our midst Saturday evening.

Our people in general are not pleased with the change in the mail schedule and see no good they get out of it. Besides it makes carrier Spence have to make the trip in the heat of the day.

Some little sickness, but there is nothing as yet to produce malaria and don't think we need to fear anything serious in the way of fever. Cordially,
ZACK.

Bids Wanted

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned up to noon, Thursday, July 17, for 35 cords of wood for the Grapeland school. Call on me for specifications and date of delivery.

JAS OWENS,
adv Sec'y. School Board.

LETTER FROM CORPUS CHRISTI

June 27.—After an absence of a few weeks, I will give a few sketches of the busy little city of Corpus.

We are having quite a number of rains here, which they say were badly needed, for the past few weeks.

The wind has been very high here for some time, and if some of you people from the "sand-flat" or "piney woods" will come to Corpus, and are not a very good catch, you will find it convenient to carry your hat in your hand, as that seems the best way, but never-the-less we never want for a good cool breeze.

The Epworth encampment will begin the 6th of August and it seems as though people are coming from all parts of the State.

People are coming from everywhere to spend their summer vacation, as this is such a grand summer resort.

We have a "tiny tribe" known as mosquitos that seem to like this place very well, which try to make the tourists remember their stay in Corpus.

Well, it seems that the little town of Grapeland is doomed to destruction, but glad to know it is coming to the front again.

I certainly enjoy reading the Messenger, as I look for it as a weekly visitor from home.

The people here are planning for a delightful time on the 4th, which is almost here. So many seem to be looking forward to that special date. The demonstrators of Neuces County are anticipating a grand parade.

Well, I suppose my space is almost taken up, so with best wishes to the Messenger and its many readers, I remain,
OLA BAKER.

THE HORSE AND THE AUTOMOBILE

The number of horses on the farms and ranges of Texas has decreased 99,364 head during the past ten years, and the automobile is said to be responsible for these conditions. An argument in favor of "Dobbin" is that his value has increased 164 per cent during this period while the average value of an automobile has depreciated \$887.

The horse has practically held his own in Houston County although our records show a large increase in cars in this county. We have in Houston County 5066 horses according to the latest census reports and their total value is given at \$382,188.

The Best Medicine in the World

"My little girl had dysentery very bad. I thought she would die. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy cured her, and I can truthfully say that I think it is the best medicine in the world," writes Mrs. William Orvis, Clare, Mich. For sale by all dealers. adv

Miss Carnie Marchison, who is attending the normal at Crockett visited home folk from Thursday until Saturday.

MEETING AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The revival at the Baptist church began last Sunday as was announced in the last issue of the Messenger.

Rev. J. A. Smith, State Evangelist, is doing the preaching. Prof. Davis of Center has charge of the choir and is leading the singing. Rev. Leland Malone, who is a statewide colporteur under the board of the Baptist general convention, is here and is rendering valuable service in the meeting. Large congregations are attending the services, which are held at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. All the business houses have agreed to close for the 11 o'clock service, and everybody is cordially invited to attend. The meeting will continue over next Sunday.

Don't use a cough medicine containing opium or morphine. They constipate the bowels and do not cure, only stifle the cough. Examine the label and if the medicine contains these harmful opiates refuse it. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound contains no opiates, is healing and soothing. Sold by D. N. Leaverton. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ellis of Crockett, were here the fourth to see relatives, remaining over until Sunday night.

HOUSTON COUNTY LAND VALUES

Houston County farm land is worth \$8.24 per acre and has increased \$3.35 per acre in value during the past decade according to a recent census report. We have 403,235 acres of farm land, improved and unimproved, in Houston County, which is valued at \$5,943,309 by the census bureau.

The states average value per acre is \$14.53 compared with \$4.70 ten years ago. There are 112,435,000 acres of farm land in Texas and the total value is \$1,633,207,000. This value is for the land alone and does not include buildings, machinery, etc. During the past ten years the area of Texas farm lands has diminished 13,372,000 and the value has increased \$1,041,857,000.

Fretful babies need the comforting effect of McGee's Baby Elixer. It quiets feverishness, corrects sour stomach, cures colic pains and checks diarrhoea. It is a perfectly safe and wholesome remedy containing no opium, morphine or injurious drug of any kind. Price 25c and 50c per bottle. Sold by A. S. Porter. adv

"Doctor" M. L. Clewis, Clothes Specialist. All troubles of any kind of wearing apparel carefully treated. Give him a trial. Advertisement

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by supplying your wants with the best and freshest groceries to be had. We have a nice line of CANNED MEATS, FRUITS and VEGETABLES, PICKLES, SPICES, SALAD and MEAT DRESSINGS, CAKES and other groceries so essential to a picnic.

Our Line of Fishing Tackle

is complete. We have a large assortment of hooks, lines, canes, floats, sinkers, minnows, fish stringers, etc.

For Your Comfort

you should take along one of our folding canvass army cots, which are handy and take but little room. We have plenty of mosquito bars and other things that will make your pleasure more in every way. We are headquarters for Groceries, Hardware and Furniture.

Geo. E. Darsey
Dealer in Everything. Grapeland, Texas
Our Store Closes Every Day at 6:30 Except Saturdays

A CLEARANCE SALE!

BEGINNING SATURDAY, JULY 12th, CLOSING SATURDAY, JULY 26th

This is sale second to none, as you will see from the unusual prices we are making on all our stock of merchandise. In addition to the low prices at which we are offering our merchandise, we are going to give the following premiums as a stimulant to the sale

1. One Washing Machine worth \$15. to the lady having the most votes over \$25.00.
2. One Rug worth \$3.50 to the lady having the second largest number of votes over \$25.00.
3. One Bowl and Pitcher worth \$2.00 to the lady having the third largest number of votes over \$25.00.

We will issue cash receipts with each cash purchase, and every dollar cash purchase entitles you to 100 votes. **SAVE ALL YOUR CASH RECEIPTS DURING THIS SALE** and present them at our store **MONDAY, JULY 28th**, and they will be counted and the premiums awarded. To the first ten ladies who purchase \$5.00 worth each **WE WILL GIVE FREE 500 VOTES EXTRA.** Be sure to read this "ad" carefully and **TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MANY BARGAINS.**

Dry Goods		Men's Shirts		Men's Underwear		Men's Pants and Overalls		Notions, Hosiery, etc.		Men's Hats	
All calicos for.....	5c	Table covers regular price 75c, now.....	55c	Blue Bell work shirts, regular price 50c, now.....	40c	Men's work pants, regular price 1.50, now.....	1.25	Ladies' vests 4 for.....	25c	One lot men's hats worth from 2.50 to 3.00, going at.....	1.75
Amoskeag utility gingham regular 10c, now.....	8 ¹ / ₂ c	All 25c towels now.....	15c	Men's pepperell drawers, regular price 50c, now.....	39c	Men's work pants, regular price 1.00, now.....	85c	6 spools thread for.....	25c	All 3.00 hats going at.....	2.25
Apron check gingham, regular 8c, now.....	6 ¹ / ₂ c	Men's Shirts		Men's Balbriggan undershirts, regular price 50c for.....	39c	Men's best grade overalls regular price 1.00, now.....	85c	6 ladies' handkerchiefs for.....	25c	Stetson hats worth 5.00 now.....	3.50
Brown linen, regular price 50c, now.....	35c	One lot men's dress shirts, ranging from 75c to \$1.00 now.....	50c	Men's B. V. D. underwear regular 1.00, now.....	80c	One lot men's work pants regular price 1.00, now.....	75c	6 men's handkerchiefs for.....	25c	Stetson hats worth 4.50 now.....	3.00
White linen, regular price 25c, now.....	20c	Men's Underwear		Men's Pants and Overalls		Notions, Hosiery, etc.		7 packages brass pins for.....	25c	Straw hats worth 3.00 now.....	2.00
White linen, regular price 50c, now.....	35c	Men's dress shirts, regular price \$1.00, now.....	75c	Men's work pants, regular price 1.00, now.....	85c	7 spools sansilk for.....	25c	4 pairs men's grey hose for.....	25c	Straw hats worth 2.00 now.....	1.10
White linen suiting, regular price 15c, now.....	12 ¹ / ₂ c	Men's Underwear		Men's 50c belts now.....	35c	7 spools thread for.....	25c	4 pairs men's black hose for.....	25c		
Iron clad galatea, regular price 15c, now.....	12 ¹ / ₂ c	Men's pepperell drawers, regular price 50c, now.....	39c	Groceries, etc.		6 ladies' handkerchiefs for.....	25c	19 lbs. granulated sugar in barrels for.....	1.00	4 bottles castor oil for.....	25c
Extra high grade gingham, regular price 25c, now.....	19c	Men's Balbriggan undershirts, regular price 50c for.....	39c	4 1-2 lbs. best roasted coffee for.....	1.00	6 men's handkerchiefs for.....	25c	4 bottles turpentine for.....	25c	Pint fruit jars, regular price 60c, now.....	50c
Wash silk, all colors, regular price 25c, now.....	19c	Men's B. V. D. underwear regular 1.00, now.....	80c	5 lbs. peaberry green coffee for.....	1.00	7 men's handkerchiefs for.....	25c	Quart fruit jars, regular price 75c, now.....	60c	Half gallon fruit jars, regular price 1.00, now.....	80c
Bedford cord suiting, regular price 21c, now.....	19c	Men's Pants and Overalls		Dollar size bucket coffee for.....	85c	Men's Hats					
White pique, regular price 21c, now.....	19c	Men's work pants, regular price 1.50, now.....	1.25	7 bars Clairette soap for.....	25c	One lot ladies' slippers worth from 2.50 to 3.50, going at.....	1.50	Ladies' slippers worth 2.25, now.....	1.65	Ladies' slippers worth 2.75, now.....	1.75
Cotton checks, now only.....	5c	Men's work pants, regular price 1.00, now.....	85c	7 bars Bob White soap for.....	25c	Ladies' slippers worth 3.00, now.....	1.98	Ladies' slippers worth 2.75, now.....	1.98	Ladies' slippers worth 3.50, now.....	2.25
Cotton plaids, regular price 10c, now.....	8 ¹ / ₂ c	Men's best grade overalls regular price 1.00, now.....	85c	4 cans Giant lye for.....	25c	One lot children's all leather sandels, sizes from 6 to 12 going at.....	69c	One lot men's slippers worth from 3.50 to \$5, now.....	2.50	Men's slippers worth 3.50 now.....	2.75
One lot bleached domestic for.....	7c	One lot men's work pants regular price 1.00, now.....	75c	10 lbs. Brown Mule tobacco for.....	3.25	Men's slippers worth 4.00, now.....	2.98	Men's slippers worth 3.50 now.....	3.50	Men's slippers worth 4.50, now.....	3.15
One lot bleached domestic, regular price 10c, now.....	8 ¹ / ₂ c	Notions, Hosiery, etc.		Virginia Beauty tobacco per lb.....	30c	Men's slippers worth 5.00 now.....	3.50	One lot men's plain toe, rubber side slipper, regular price 3.00, now.....	2.25		
One lot brown domestic, for.....	5c	Ladies' vests 4 for.....	25c	5 string broom.....	25c						
One lot brown domestic, regular price 10c.....	8 ¹ / ₂ c	6 spools thread for.....	25c	4 string broom.....	20c						
White lawns, regular price 10c, now.....	8 ¹ / ₂ c	6 ladies' handkerchiefs for.....	25c	Garrett snuff, per bottle only.....	20c						
White lawns, regular price 15c, now.....	12 ¹ / ₂ c	6 men's handkerchiefs for.....	25c	3 bottles Rooster or Red Cross snuff for.....	50c						
White lawns, regular price 25c, now.....	19c	7 packages brass pins for.....	25c								
Figured lawns, regular price 10c, now.....	7 ¹ / ₂ c	7 spools sansilk for.....	25c								
Bed spreads, regular price 2.25, now.....	1.65	4 pairs men's grey hose for.....	25c								
		4 pairs men's black hose for.....	25c								

This Sale is for CASH ONLY!

All goods sold on credit will take the regular terms

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Backache ? Kidneys Hurt?

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As pure and wholesome as it is
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Demand the Genuine—
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germs and drives them out of the blood. Try it this year.

Price 50c per Bottle.

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"THE DEVIL'S PARAGRAPHS"

BY JNO. R. OWENS

Every question may have two
sides, but every question is not
always "turned over."

The after-effects of our 4th of
July celebration had a tendency
to make us want to take the 5th
also.

It's not so bad for a fellow to
stand in his own light, so long
as he keeps out of the other
fellow's light.

A good many fools inherit a
good deal of foolishness, but
most every wise man has to dig
for his wisdom.

If you don't like a man, there
is no use going around telling
everybody else about it, and keeping
it a profound secret from him.

You can find one kind of hu-
man being anywhere you go—
that is the fellow who is always
expecting something for noth-
ing.

A young man in Arkansas re-
fuses to return to his home in
New York, although he is heir
to over a million dollars. Make
a noise like a million at us and
see how far we would go.

The prohibition election in
Palestine last Thursday was
certainly a warm one, and prom-
ises to be still warmer before it
is settled. The antis won by a
small vote, but the pros claim
that illegal votes were cast.

The Bible says "shun the ap-
pearance of evil," but we have
been unable to convince the bill
collectors that this is good ad-
vice, as a large number have
been seen calling on the "devil"
for the past week.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Con-
stable of Houston County:
Greeting:—

G. W. Mobley, Administrator
of the Estate of David Gordon,
deceased, having filed in the
County Court of said County, on
the 2nd day of July, A. D. 1913,
his final account of the condition
of the Estate of said David Gor-
don, deceased, together with his
application to be discharged
from said administration:

YOU ARE HEREBY COM-
MANDED, that by publication
of this Writ for twenty (20)
days in a newspaper regularly
published in the said County of
Houston, you give due notice to
all persons interested in the
account for the final settlement
of said Estate to file their ob-
jections thereto, if any they
have, on or before the August
Term, A. D. 1913, of said County
Court, commencing and to be
holden at the Court House of
said County in the city of Crockett,
on the first Monday in Aug-
ust, A. D. 1913, the same being
the 4th day of August, A. D.
1913, when said account and ap-
plication will be considered by
said Court.

Witness, O. C. Goodwin, Clerk
of the County Court of Houston
County, Texas.

Given under my hand and
seal of said Court, at my office,
in the city of Crockett, Texas,
this the 2nd day of July, A. D.
1913.

O. C. GOODWIN,

Clerk County Court,
Houston County, Texas.

Now comes a statement from
a society woman of Washington,
stating that she will soon appear
in public donned in a pair of
trousers, and real suspenders.
We say Washington society
ought to "suspend 'er" sure
enough.

The new law in London known
as the "cat and Mouse" law,
which was recently enacted has
almost stopped the outrages
committed by militant suffra-
gists. To mention "mouse"
around women generally starts
a panic, but it seems that this
was not the case in this instance.

The latest disease is called
the "turkey leg," which is caused
by excessive "turkey trot-
ing". In the "turkey trot"
dance one leg is used more than
the other, which causes the least
used leg to become drawn, and
the remedy prescribed is to pull
it. We suppose that married
men won't contract this new
disease, as their "legs are pull-
ed" almost every day.

This boss of ours has certainly
got an eye for business. In
one of his editorials this week,
he accuses the "devil" of being
poetical at times, and advises
the girls that none who have ap-
petites could afford to marry a
poet. Now, we feel sure that
we are not in danger of being
launched out on the matrimonial
sea, at present, anyway. But
the boss was thinking of the fu-
ture instead of the present
when he contributed this piece
of advice, for he had a hunch
that if future developments
brought about such conditions
in affairs, that there would prob-
ably be a request made by us
for an increase in dues.

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Hundreds of people in this
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use of dangerous calomel when
their liver is acting slowly, and
take Dodson's Liver Tone in-
stead.

Dodson's Liver Tone is always
safe and has none of the bad
after-effects which so often fol-
low the use of calomel. It is a
pleasant-tasting vegetable liquid
that starts the liver gently and
surely, and relieves constipation
and biliousness and causes no
restriction of habit or diet.

Many preparations have
sprung up that imitate the
claims made for Dodson's Liver
Tone, but remember Dodson's
Liver Tone is the tried and tested
remedy that has proven such a
good medicine and is satisfactory
to every user—is the reason
these imitations are on the mark-
et.

Dodson's Liver Tone cannot
hurt anyone and if it fails to do
all that is claimed for it, Porter's
drug store, who sell it, will give
your money back with a smile.
(Advertisement.)

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bruton and
children are visiting relatives at
their old home west of Crockett
this week.

If you feel "blue," "no ac-
count," lazy, you need a good
cleaning out. Herbine is the
right thing for that purpose.
It stimulates the liver, tones up
the stomach and purifies the
bowels. Price 50c. Sold by A.
S. Porter.



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Laundry basket leaves Wed-
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something. It designates qual-
ity. Just as the word Sterling
stamped on silver indicates fine-
ness and purity, the word Mas-
ury means the best—none other
as good. It has taken 50 years
experience to level up the stand-
ard of the Masury Paints to the
high level where it stands today,
absolutely pure pigments, pure
linseed oil, "net weights and full
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 1 YEAR - - - - - \$1.00
 6 MONTHS - - - .50
 3 MONTHS - - - .25

Subscribers ordering a change of address should give the old as well as the new address.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE—Obituaries and Resolutions of Respect are printed for half price—2 1/2c per line. Other matter "not news" charged at regular rates.

Our advertising rates are reasonable and quoted upon application.

OUR PURPOSE—It is the purpose of the Messenger to record accurately, simply and interestingly the moral, intellectual, industrial and political progress of Grapeland and Houston county. To aid us in this every citizen should give us his moral and financial support.

Phones—Farmers Union System
 Office - - - - - 27
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THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1913

Sometimes our "devil" breaks out in poetry in his column, and as he is a handsome young "duck" we advise the girls that only those who have no appetite can afford to marry a poet.

The "insidious" lobbyists at Washington are hunting high ground, and some of the congressmen and senators are fleeing like rats from a sinking ship. On with the battle!

If a man is bound to get drunk he will have to stay at home and have it out with his wife, which should cause some men to stay sober. It is now a violation of the law to be caught drunk anywhere except at home.

Grapeland people observed July 4th in both a safe and sane manner. Most everybody went fishing or picnicing—and there is no danger in that unless it has a tendency to make one lazy and lag on the job next day.

Porter Springs pulled off an old fashioned picnic July 4th and entertained in a most delightful manner. Col. Bob Milner, president of A. & M. College, Hon. Ned Morris of Palestine, and Representative Patton were the principal orators of the day.

Crockett has a youngster that challenges the world to beat her record for having ten living grand and great-grand parents. Her name is little Miss Dovie Elizabeth Casey, and her picture was published in the Chronicle last Friday.

You can now use a plain postage stamp on parcels, the new order by the postmaster general going into effect July 1. President Wilson and the P. M. G. are giving such a simplified form of government that even the way-faring democrat—and some republicans—can understand it.

Young people who are ambitious and desire to be of service to society and the state will find great advantages on the farm. The time has come when the farmer, who produces this nation's food and makes it possible for a balance of trade in our favor, is being appreciated as never before. The farmer is coming into his own.—Farm & Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Scarbrough and little Miss Eva Carl are spending the week in Palestine with relatives.

PROTECTIVE TARIFF AND WAGES

In a recent issue of the Houston Chronicle there appeared a lengthy article from the pen of Mr. H. F. Ring in answer to Ex-Senator Bailey's position on the Underwood tariff bill. Bailey's letter appeared in the Houston Post; as you probably know, both Bailey and the Post are stand pat republicans when it comes to the tariff. I shall give a brief synopsis of Mr. Ring's article, as it is too good to lose, and too long to reproduce in full.

Note the fallacy of the Bailey-republican argument that a high tariff causes high wages for workmen. What then affects wages? Answer: The supply of land. How is this? Where land is cheap, laborers may quit their jobs and settle on land and make a support in that way. This makes them independent. But where land is scarce, laborers are dependent upon jobs for a living.

Proof of this is: In 1820, Edward Gibbons Wakefield, an autocrat of England visited America, and wrote a book about his trip. In that book he charged that laborers in America were "too well paid, were insolent, were too independent, so proud and insolent that they didn't care a rap whether he employed them or not to shine his shoes, brush his coat and run his errands." Land was very plentiful in America then. The fact is that wages were higher then than now, and we did not have a protective tariff then. Germany is a high tariff country. England is free trade. Wages are higher in England than in Germany. Laborers immigrate from Germany to England, but never from England to Germany. Wages are not so high in England as in the United States because of the scarcity of land, but higher than in protective Germany where land is equally scarce.

Millions of Russian peasants immigrated into Siberia with the advent of the railroad thru that country. Land there was cheap and fertile and could be easily acquired. Before this immigration, the labor market of Russia was overstocked; laborers got starvation wages. After the immigration, labor was scarce and consequently demanded high pay. This displeased the autocrats, and "they got the czar to issue a ukase to the effect that peasants should be permitted to purchase only 30 acres of government land to the family, while members of the nobility and other privileged persons should be allowed to purchase 6,000 acres apiece at 50 cents the acre." The result made labor in Russia plentiful and wages low.

"Another mistake in Senator Bailey's argument," writes Mr. Ring, "is his acquiescence in the republican assumption that the amount of the wage paid by an employer to an employee depends to some extent upon the profits of the employer." The employer pays what he has to pay and no more. If labor is plentiful, wages are low; if labor is scarce wages are high, "and this regardless of whether the profits on capital invested amount to 10 per cent or 100 per cent." "A protective tariff enabled Carnegie to accumulate three hundred million dollars. He could have afforded to have paid his employes probably twice what they received, and still

have made millions for himself." "Is there any record of Carnegie ever paying an employe one cent more than he had to pay?" At Lawrence, Mass., employes of cotton and woolen mills struck for living wages. The protective tariff enabled the mill companies to declare as high as 15 per cent dividends. With the employes it was not a question of dividends, but of butter and bread. The tariff only benefitted the millionaires who owned the mills.

Tariff reduction raises wages, because it brings down the price of the article, causing the demand for it to increase, and consequently the demand for labor to manufacture the article will increase. Last year our manufacturers sold to Canada \$100,000,000 worth of goods; after transportation charges were paid on these, they sold for several million dollars cheaper than the same goods sold for here, thanks to a republican tariff.

When Henry Clay fathered the first protective tariff, his plea was that wages were so high here, protection ought to be given our "infant industries" to enable them to pay these high wages. That was nearly a century ago. Now, since we have had the protective tariff during all that time, republicans and certain republican-democrats, including Bailey and the Houston Post, claim that protective tariff made high wages, and that protection ought to be given to the "infant industries" to keep them high! Oh, consistency! MORRIS CLEWS BILFEL.

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A. B. Guice and wife to Grapeland Cemetery Association; 4,000 square yards J. Erwin Survey; consideration \$25.

Harvey King to Dick and Arthur King; 100 acres Stillwell Box League; consideration \$750.

Wm. W. Parshall to Wm. Gray Lot 3, Block J, Walker Survey of Latexo; consideration \$35.

Amelia Collins to J. V. Collins; lots 4 and 7, containing 10 acres each, F. Johnson League; \$1.00 and other considerations.

Jordan Ware and wife to Luther Berry; 41 1-10 acres Rafael De Los Santos Coy League; consideration \$287.70.

W. A. Proctor and wife to F. L. Barnes and Jas. P. Westmoreland; Lot 3, Block 28, Weldon; consideration \$150.00.

1 oil lease from Jno. R. Estes to F. J. Lock.

Louisa A. Jemison to P. B. Bryant; 200 acres G. Bodilla League, consideration \$800.

H. H. Larue to Ben Larue; 63 1-2 acres H. D. Haynes Survey; consideration \$600.

H. T. Rogers to Herbert Payne; Lot 7, Block 42, town of Oldham, Latexo; consideration \$25.

E. Kennedy and wife to J. F. Scruggs; lots 9 and 10, Block 13, Lovelady; consideration \$750.

R. W. Goodrum and wife to J. A. Thornton; lot 6, Block 42, Weldon; consideration \$757.50.

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Clem Marshall to Rosetta Ganis.

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Willie Wolf to Minnie Frizzelle.

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Sam McKnight to Satorria Harris.

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A session of the W. R. Campbell Normal Musical Institute will be held at Lively, four miles northeast of Grapeland, Texas, beginning August 4th, and continuing a term of twenty days. Everything will be taught in this school that is taught in any up-to-date school, including rudiments, sight-singing, ear-training, voice culture, expression, harmony and composition. Also free instructions from the instrument each day for the entire class. Price of tuition: Primary \$2.25 for the term. Intermediate, not in harmony, \$2.50 for the term. Advanced, including the full course, \$3.50. Board \$3.00 per week.

W. R. Campbell, Principal, Salmon, Texas.

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U. M. Brock went to Huntsville the fourth to accompany Mrs. Brock and the baby home, who have been visiting relatives in that city for some time.



Specials For the Following Week

- 6 lbs. good green coffee for - 1.00
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- 7 bars Clairette soap - 25c
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Fresh bread at Lynch's. adv.

15c paid for eggs at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

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Ice cream freezers at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

Little Miss Beatrice Parker is visiting relatives in Elkhart.

Chops, bran, oats and hay at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Taylor and children of Latexo visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Anthony and children of Houston are visiting relatives in Grapeland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dockery of Shreveport, La., are here visiting relatives.

Bring us your chickens and eggs. Kennedy Bros. (Advertisement.)

Jno. R. Owens and mother spent the fourth in Trinity with relatives.

Stokes Pelham was home from Crockett a few days last week.

Charter Oak stoves, the kind that give perfect satisfaction. Sold by Kennedy Bros. Adv.

R. M. Brooks of Route 3 and J. H. Dickey of Percilla have remembered the Messenger recently in a substantial way.

Mrs. Odell Faris and little son, Frank Howard, of Lake Charles, La., arrived Sunday night and will spend several weeks here visiting relatives and friends.

Car of New Hay

I have just received a car of new crop alfalfa hay. It is something fine. See me if you want any. adv. J. W. Howard.

Tom Parker called Saturday and renewed the subscriptions of his sisters, Mrs. Coila White at Cunningham, and Mrs. Nettie Musick at Keltys.

Walter Neel and family returned to Elkhart Sunday night after several days spent in the Grapeland community visiting friends and relatives.

J. L. Brock of Bryan, and his mother of Livingston, visited the family of U. M. Brock last week, returning to Livingston Sunday morning.

Iron beds, all sizes at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

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E. P. Lynch.

S. T. Anthony spent the 4th in Houston.

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Roy Baker of Crockett visited relatives in Grapeland Sunday.

If you desire satisfactory work, carry your old clothes to Clewis. adv

Miss Annie Evans of Georgetown is visiting relatives in Grapeland.

If you need anything in the hardware line we have it. Adv.
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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Caskey announce the arrival of a young lady at their home.

If you want a good cup of coffee buy a can of "West India Coffee" at Kennedy Bros. Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kennedy, and Miss Onie Douthitt of Palestine visited Mrs. Laura Woodard a few days this and last week.

Mrs. Walter Conoway came down from Palestine Saturday morning and went out to see her mother east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilkerson of Trinity spent the fourth here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Lynch.

Miss Jayne Pearl Oliphant has returned from Austin, where she has been teaching, and will remain during the summer with her mother.

Mrs. W. R. McCarter and daughter, Miss Lena Maude, of Louisville, Texas, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Eaves, west of town.

LOST.—7jewelsilver watch, black silk fob with a metal pull; lost Tuesday morning on the road between C. W. Word's and Shaver's mill. \$1.00 reward to finder if brought to the Messenger office. Adv.

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Junior League Program

Leader—Ross Brock.
Subject.
Opening Song.
Sentence Prayer.
Reading—Adelaide Selkirk.
Recitation—Rena Ross Richards.
Song.
Reading—Mary White.
Recitation—Melba Brock.
Song—Mary Lou Darsey, Mable Boykin, and Carrie Spence.
Roll Called.
Business session.
Closing Song.
Benediction.

SENIOR LEAGUE PROGRAM
Subject—The Church and its Claim Upon Our Love and Obedience. Acts II, 41; Eph. IV, 11-16; Gal. VI, 1; Rom. XV, 1-3.
Leader—Chester Owens.
Song.
Prayer.
Solo—Miss Edna Driskill.
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Song by the League.
Discussion of Lesson by Members of League.
Roll Called.
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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County, Greeting:—

E. G. Walling, Administrator of the Estate of David Walling, deceased, having filed in the County Court of said County on the 8th day of July, A. D. 1913, his final account of the condition of the Estate of said David Walling, deceased, together with his application to be discharged from said administration:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, that by publication of this writ for twenty (20) days in a newspaper regularly published in the said County of Houston, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for the final settlement of said Estate to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the August term, A. D. 1913, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County in the City of Crockett on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1913, the same being the 4th day of August, A. D. 1913, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.

Witness, O. C. Goodwin, Clerk of the County Court of Houston County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at my office in the City of Crockett, Texas, this the 8th day of July, A. D. 1913.

O. C. GOODWIN,
Clerk, County Court
Houston County, Texas.
By J. M. ELLIS,
Deputy.

Ben Keen and Jess Bishop, who are attending school at Huntsville, came home to spend the fourth and returned Monday morning.

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FRAN

BY
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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Fran arrives at Hamilton Gregory's home in Littleburg, but finds him absent conducting the choir at a camp meeting.

CHAPTER II—She repairs thither in search of him, laughs during the service and is asked to leave.

CHAPTER III—Abbott Ashton, superintendent of schools, escorts Fran from the tent. He tells her Gregory is a wealthy man, deeply interested in charity work, and is a pillar of the church. Ashton becomes greatly interested in Fran and, while taking leave of her, holds her hand and is seen by Sapphira Clinton, sister of Robert Clinton, chairman of the school board.

CHAPTER IV—Fran tells Gregory she wants a home with him. Grace Noir, Gregory's private secretary, takes a violent dislike to Fran and advises her to go away at once. Fran hints at a twenty-year-old secret, and Gregory, in agitation, asks Grace to leave the room.

CHAPTER V—Fran relates a story of how Gregory married a young girl at Springfield while attending college and then deserted her. Fran is the child of that marriage. Gregory had married his present wife three years before the death of Fran's mother.

CHAPTER VI.

Mrs. Gregory.

The wind had suddenly increased in violence, and a few raindrops had already fallen. Apprehensions of a storm caused hurried movements throughout the house. Blinding flashes of lightning suggested a gathering of the family in the reception hall, where, according to tradition, there was "less danger;" and as the unknown lady opened the door of the front room, Fran heard footsteps upon the stairs, and caught a glimpse of Grace Noir descending.

The lady closed the door behind her before she perceived Fran, so intent was she upon securing from threatening rain some unfinished silk-work lying on the window-sill. She paused abruptly, her honest brown eyes opened wide.

The perspiration shone on Hamilton Gregory's forehead. "Just a moment," he uttered incoherently—"wait—I'll be back when I make sure my library window's closed. . . ." He left the



"I Am Mrs. Gregory."

room, his brain in an agony of indecision. How much must be told? And how would they regard him after the telling?

"Who are you?" asked the lady of thirty-five, mildly, but with gathering wonder.

The answer came, with a broken laugh, "I am Fran." It was spoken a little defiantly, a little menacingly, as if the tired spirit was bracing itself for battle.

The lady wore her wavy hair parted in the middle after that fashion which perhaps was never new; and no impudent ribbon or arrogant founce stole one's attention from the mouth that was just sincere and sweet. It was a face one wanted to look at because—well, Fran didn't know why. "She's no prettier than I," was Fran's decision, measuring from the natural standard—the standard every woman hides in her own breast.

"And who is Fran?" asked the mild voice. The lady smiled so tenderly, it was like a mellow light stealing from a fairy rose-garden of thornless souls.

Fran caught her breath while her face showed hardness—but not against the other. She felt something like

holy wrath as her presentment sounded forth protestingly—"But who are you?"

"I am Mrs. Gregory."

"Oh, no," cried Fran, with violence, "no!" She added rather wildly, "It can't be—I mean—but say you are not Mrs. Gregory."

"I am Mrs. Gregory," the other repeated, mystified.

Fran tried to hide her emotion with a smile, but it would have been easier for her to cry, just because she of the patient brown eyes was Mrs. Gregory.

At that moment Hamilton Gregory re-entered the room, brought back by the fear that Fran might tell all during his absence. How different life would have been if he could have found her flown—but he read in her face no promise of departure.

His wife was not surprised at his haggard face, for he was always working too hard, worrying over his extensive charities, planning editorials for his philanthropic journal, devising means to better the condition of the local church. But the presence of this stranger—doubtless one of his countless objects of charity—demanded explanation.

"Come," he said brusquely, addressing neither directly, "we needn't stop here. I have some explanations to make, and they might as well be made before everybody, once and for all. . . ." He paused wretchedly, seeing no outlook, no possible escape. Something must be told—not a lie, but possibly not all the truth; that would rest with Fran. He was as much in her power as if she, herself, had been the effect of his sin.

He opened the door, and walked with a heavy step into the hall. Mrs. Gregory followed, wondering, looking rather at Fran than at her husband. Fran's keen eyes searched the apartment for the actual source of Hamilton Gregory's acutest regrets.

Yes, there stood the secretary.

CHAPTER VII.

A Family Conference.

Of the group, it was the secretary who first claimed Fran's attention. In a way, Grace Noir dominated the place. Perhaps it was because of her splendidly developed body, her beauty, her attitude of unclaimed yet unrecognized authority, that she stood distinctly first.

As for Mrs. Gregory, her mild aloofness suggested that she hardly belonged to the family. Hamilton Gregory found himself instinctively turning to Grace, rather than to his wife. Mrs. Gregory's face did, indeed, ask why Fran was there; but Grace, standing at the foot of the stairs, and looking at Gregory with memory of her recent dismissal, demanded explanations.

Mrs. Gregory's mother, confined by paralysis to a wheel-chair, fastened upon the new-comer eyes whose brightness seventy years or more had not dimmed. The group was completed by Mrs. Gregory's bachelor brother, older than his sister by fifteen years. This brother, Simon Jefferson, though stockily built and evidently well-fed, wore an air of lassitude, as if perennially tired. As he leaned back in a hall chair, he seemed the only one present who did not care why Fran was there.

Gregory broke the silence by clearing his throat with evident embarrassment. A peal of thunder offered him relief, and after its reverberations had died away, he still hesitated. "This," he said presently, "is a—the orphan—an orphan—one who has come to me from— She says her name is Frances."

"Fran," came the abrupt correction; "just Fran."

There was a general feeling that an orphan should speak less positively, even about her own name—should be, as it were, subdued from the mere fact of orphanhood.

"An orphan!" Simon Jefferson ejaculated, moving restlessly in his effort to find the easiest corner of his chair. "I hope nothing is going to excite me. I have heart-disease, little girl, and I'm liable to topple off at any moment. I tell you, I must not be excited."

"I don't think," replied Fran, "with cheerful interest in his malady, 'that orphans are very exciting.'"

Hamilton Gregory resumed, cautiously stepping over dangerous ground, while the others looked at Fran, and Grace never ceased to look at him. "She came here tonight, after

the services at the Big Tent. She came here and, or I should say, to request, to ask—Miss Grace saw her when she came. Miss Grace knew of her being here." He seized upon this fact as if to lift himself over pitfalls.

Grace's eyes were gravely judicial. She would not condemn him unheard, but at the same time she let him see that her knowledge of Fran would not help his case. It did not surprise Mrs. Gregory that Grace had known of the strange presence; the secretary knew of events before the rest of the family.

Gregory continued, delicately picking his way: "But the child asked to see me alone, because she had a special message—a—yes, a message to deliver to me. So I asked Miss Grace to leave us for half an hour. Then I heard the girl's story, while Miss Grace waited upstairs."

"Well," Simon Jefferson interposed irritably, "Miss Grace is accounted for. Go on, brother-in-law, go on, if we must have it."

"The fact is, Lucy—" Gregory at this point turned to his wife—for at certain odd moments he found relief in doing so—"the fact is—the fact is, this girl is the—er—daughter of—a very old friend of mine—a friend who was—a friend years ago, long before I moved to Littleburg, long before I saw you, Lucy. That was when my home was in New York. I have told you all about that time of my youth, when I lived with my father in New York. Well, before my father died, I was acquainted with—this friend. I owed that person a great debt, not of money—a debt of—what shall I say?" Fran suggested, "Honor."

Gregory mopped his brow while all looked from Fran to him. He resumed desperately: "I owed a great debt to that friend—oh, not of money, of course—a debt which circumstances prevented me from paying—from meeting—which I still owe to the memory of that—er—of that dead friend. The friend is dead, you understand, yes, dead."

Mrs. Gregory could not understand her husband's unaccustomed hesitancy. She inquired of Fran, "And is your mother dead, too, little girl?"

That simple question, innocently preferred, directed the course of future events. Mr. Gregory had not intentionally spoken of his friend in such a way as to throw doubt upon the sex. Now that he realized how his wife's misunderstanding might save him, he had not the courage to undeceive her.

Fran waited for him to speak. The delay had lost him the power to reveal the truth. Would Fran betray him? He wished that the thunder might drown out the sound of her words, but the storm seemed holding its breath to listen.

Fran said quietly, "My mother died three years ago."

Mrs. Gregory asked her husband, "Did you ever tell me about this friend? I'd remember from his name; what was it?"

It seemed impossible for him to utter the name which had sounded from his lips so often in love. He opened his lips, but he could not say "Josephine." Besides, the last name would do. "Derry," he gasped.

"Come here, Fran Derry," said Mrs. Gregory, reaching out her hand, with that sweet smile that somehow made Fran feel the dew of tears.

Hamilton Gregory plucked up spirits. "I couldn't turn away the daughter of my old friend. You wouldn't want me to do that. None of you would. Now that I've explained everything, I hope there'll be no objection to her staying here in the house—that is, if she wants to stay. She has come to do it, she says—all the way from New York."

Mrs. Gregory slipped her arm about the independent shoulders, and drew the girl down beside her upon a divan. "Do you know," she said gently, "you are the very first of all his New York friends who has come into my life? Indeed, I am willing, and indeed you shall stay with us, just as long as you will."

Fran asked impulsively, as she clasped her hands, "Do you think you could like me? Could you?"

"Dear child"—the answer was accompanied by a gentle pressure, "you are the daughter of my husband's friend. That's enough for me. You need a home, and you shall have one with us. I like you already, dear."

Tears dimmed Fran's eyes. "And I just love you," she cried. "My! What a woman you are!"

Grace Noir was silent. She liked Fran less than ever, but her look was that of a hired secretary, saying, "With all this, I have nothing to do." Doubtless, when alone with Hamilton Gregory, she would express her sincere conviction that the girl's presence would interfere with his work—but these others would not understand.

Fran's unconventional had given to Mrs. Gregory's laugh a girlish note, but almost at once her face resumed its wonted gravity. Perhaps the slight hollows in the cheeks had been pressed by the fingers of care, but it was rather lack of light than presence of shadow, that told Fran something was missing from the woman's heart.

In the meantime old Mrs. Jefferson had been looking on with absorbed

attention, desperately seeking to triumph over her enemy, a deaf demon that for years had taken possession of her. Now, with an impatient hand, she bent her wheel-chair to her daughter's side and proffered her ear trumpet.

"Mother," Mrs. Gregory called through this ebony connector of souls, "This is Fran Derry, the daughter of Mr. Gregory's dear friend, one he used to know in New York, many years before he came to Littleburg. Fran is an orphan, and needs a home. We have asked her to live with us."

Mrs. Jefferson did not always hear aright, but she always responded with as much spirit as if her hearing were never in doubt. "And what I'd like to know," she cried, "is what you are asking her to give us."

Grace Noir came forward with quiet resolution. "Let me speak to your mother," she said to Mrs. Gregory.

Mrs. Gregory handed her the tube, somewhat surprised, since Grace made it a point of conscience seldom to talk to the old lady. When Grace Noir disapproved of any one, she did not think it right to conceal that fact. Since Mrs. Jefferson absolutely refused to attend religious services, alleging as excuse that she could not hear the sermon, refusing to offer up the sacrifice of her fleshly presence as an example to others—Grace disapproved most heartily.

Mrs. Jefferson held her head to the trumpet shrinkingly, as if afraid of getting her ear tickled.

Grace spoke quietly, but distinctly, as she indicated Fran—"You know how hard it is to get a good servant in Littleburg." Then she returned the ear trumpet. That was all she had to say.

Fran looked at Mr. Gregory. He bit his lip, hoping it might go at that.

The old lady was greatly at sea. Much as she disliked the secretary, her news was grateful. "Be sure to stipulate," she said briskly, "about wheeling me around in the garden. The last one wasn't told in the beginning, and had to be paid extra, every time I took the air. There's nothing like an understanding at the beginning."

Fran walked up to Grace Noir and shook back her hair in the way that Grace particularly disliked. She said: "Nothing like an understanding at the beginning; yes, the old lady's right. Good thing to know what the trouble is, so we'll know how it'll hit us. I guess I'm the trouble for this house, but I'm going to hit it as the daughter of an old friend, and not as a servant. I'm just about as independent as Patrick Henry, Miss Noir. I'm not responsible for being born, but it's my outlook to hold on to my equality."

"Fran!" exclaimed Mrs. Gregory, in mild reproof.

Grace looked at Mrs. Gregory and nothing could have exceeded the saintliness of her expression. Insulted, she was enjoying to the full her pious satisfaction of martyrdom.

"Dear Mrs. Gregory," said Fran kindly, "I'm sorry to have to do this,



Fran Suggested Honor.

but it isn't as if you were adopting a penniless orphan. I'm adopting a home. I want to belong to somebody, and I want people to feel that they have something when they have me."

"I reckon they'll know they've got something," remarked Simon Jefferson, shooting a dissatisfied glance at Fran from under bushy brows.

Fran laughed outright. "I'm going to like you, all right," she declared. "You are so human."

It is exceedingly difficult to maintain satisfaction in silent martyrdom. Grace was obliged to speak, lest any one think that she acquiesced in evil. "Is it customary for little girls to roam the streets at night, wandering about the world alone, adopting homes according to their whims?"

"I really don't think it is customary," Fran replied politely, "but I'm not a customary girl." At that moment she caught the old lady's eye. It was sparkling with eloquent satisfaction; Mrs. Jefferson supposed terms of service were under discussion. Fran laughed, grabbed the ear-trumpet and called, "Hello. How are you?"

When an unknown voice entered the large end of the tube, half its meaning was usually strained away before the rest reached the yearning ear.

Mrs. Jefferson responded eagerly, "And will you wheel me around the garden at least twice a day?"

Fran patted the thin old arm with her thin young hand, as she shouted, "I'll wheel you twenty times a day, if you say so!"

"But I do not see-saw," retorted the old lady with spirit.

Gregory, finding Grace's eyes fixed on him searchingly, felt himself pushed to the wall. "Of course," he said coldly, "it is understood that the daughter of—er—my friend, comes here as a—as an equal." As he found himself forced into definite opposition to his secretary, his manner grew more assured. Suddenly it occurred to him that he was, in a way, atoning for the past.

"As an equal, yes!" exclaimed his wife, again embracing Fran. "How else could it be?"

"This is going to be a good thing



"Would You Like to Know More About Me?"

for you, if you only knew it," Fran said, looking into her face with loving eyes.

Hamilton Gregory was almost able to persuade himself that he had received the orphan of his own free choice, thus to make reparation. "It is my duty," he said; "and I always try to do my duty, as I see it."

"Would you like to know more about me?" Fran asked confidentially of Mrs. Gregory.

Gregory turned pale. "I don't think it's neces—"

"Do tell me!" exclaimed his wife.

"Father and mother married secretly," Fran said, solely addressing Mrs. Gregory, but occasionally sending a furtive glance at her husband. "He was a college-student, boarding with his cousin, who was one of the professors. Mother was an orphan and lived with her half-uncle—a mighty crusty old man, Uncle Ephraim was, who didn't have one bit of use for people's getting married in secret. Father and mother agreed not to mention their marriage till after his graduation; then he'd go to his father and make everything easy, and come for mother. So he went and told him—father's father was a millionaire on Wall street. Mother's uncle was pretty well fixed, too, but he didn't enjoy anything except religion. When he wasn't at church—he went 'most all the time—he was reading about it. Mother said he was most religious in Hebrew, but he enjoyed his Greek verbs awfully."

Grace Noir asked remotely, "Did you say that your parents eloped?"

"They didn't run far," Fran explained; "they were married in the county, not far from Springfield—"

"I thought you said," Grace interrupted, "that they were in New York."

"Did you?" said Fran politely. "So father graduated, and went away to tell his father all about being married to Josephine Derry. I don't know what happened then, as he didn't come back to tell. My mother waited and waited—and I was born—and then Uncle Ephraim drove mother out of his house with her tiny baby—that's me—and I grew to be—as old as you see me now. We were always hunting father. We went all over the United States, first and last—it looked like the son of a millionaire ought to be easy to find. But he kept himself close, and there was never a clev. Then mother died. Sometimes she used to tell me that she believed him dead, that if he'd been alive he'd have come for her, because she loved him with all her soul, and wrecked her whole life because of him. She was happiest when she thought he was dead, so I wouldn't say anything, but I was sure he was alive, all right, as big and strong as you please. Oh, I know his kind. I've had lots of experience."

"So I'd suppose," said Grace Noir quietly. "May I ask—if you don't mind—if this traveling about the United States didn't take a great deal of money?"

"Oh, we had all the money we wanted," Fran returned easily.

"Indeed? And did you become reconciled to your mother's uncle?"

"Yes—after he was dead. He didn't leave a will, and there wasn't anybody

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else, and as mother had just been taken from me, the money just naturally came in my hands. But I didn't need it, particularly."

"But before that," Grace persisted; "before, when your mother was first disinherited, how could she make her living?"

"Mother was like me. She didn't stand around folding her hands and crossing her feet—she used 'em. Bless you, I could get along wherever you'd drop me. Success isn't in the world. It's in me, and that's a good thing to know—it saves hunting."

"Do you consider yourself a 'success'?" inquired the secretary with a chilly smile.

"I had everything I wanted except a home," Fran responded with charming good-humor, "and now I've got that. In a New York paper, I found a picture of Hamilton Gregory, and it told about all his charities. It said he had millions, and was giving away everything. I said to myself, 'I'll go there and have him give me a home'—you see, I'd often heard mother speak of him—and I said other things to myself—and then, as I generally do what I tell myself to do—it keeps up confidence in the general manager—I came."

"Dear child," said Mrs. Gregory, stroking her hair, "your mother dead, your father—that kind of a man—you shall indeed find a home with us, for life. And so your father was Mr. Gregory's friend. It seems—strange."

"My father," said Fran, looking at Mr. Gregory inscrutably, "was the best friend you ever had, wasn't he? You loved him better than anybody else in the world, didn't you?"

"I—I—yes," the other stammered, looking at her wildly, and passing his agitated hand across his eyes, as if to shut out some terrible vision, "yes, I—I was—er—fond of—him."

"I guess you were," Fran cried emphatically. "You'd have done anything for him."

"I have this to say," remarked Simon Jefferson, "that I may not come up to the mark in all particulars, and I reckon I have my weaknesses; but I wouldn't own a friend that proved himself the miserable scoundrel, the weak cur, that this child's father proved himself!"

"And I agree with you," declared Grace, who seldom agreed with him in anything. How Mr. Gregory, the best man she had ever known, could be fond of Fran's father, was incomprehensible. Ever since Fran had come knocking at the door, Grace's exalted faith in Mr. Gregory had been perplexed by the foreboding that he was not altogether what she had imagined.

Hamilton Gregory felt the change in her attitude. "That friend," he said quickly, "was not altogether to be censured. At least, he meant to do right. He wanted to do right. With all the strength of his nature, he strove to

do right."

"Then why didn't he do right?" snapped Simon Jefferson. "Why didn't he go back after that young woman, and take care of her? Huh? What was holding him?"

"He did go back," exclaimed Gregory. "Well—not at first, but afterward. He went to tell his father, and his father showed him that it would never do, that the girl—his wife—wasn't of their sphere, their life, that he couldn't have made her happy—that it wouldn't—that it just wouldn't do. For three years he stayed in the mountains of Germany, the most miserable man in the world. But his conscience wouldn't let him rest. It told him he should acknowledge his wife. So he went back—but she'd disappeared—he couldn't find her—and he'd never heard—he'd never dreamed of the birth of a—of the—of this girl. He never knew that he had a daughter. Never!"

"Well," said Simon Jefferson, "he's dead now, and that's one comfort. Good thing he's not alive; I'd always be afraid I might come up with him and then, afterward, that I might not get my sentence commuted to life-imprisonment."

"Who is exciting my son?" demanded the old lady from her wheel-chair. Simon Jefferson's red face and staring eyes told plainly that his spirit was up.

"After all," said Fran cheerfully, "we are here, and needn't bother about what's past. My mother wasn't given her chance, but she's dead now, blessed soul—and my father had his chance, but it wasn't in him to be a man. Let's forget him as much as we can, and let's have nothing but sweet and peaceful thoughts about mother. That's all over, and I'm here to take my chance with the rest of you. We're the world, while our day lasts."

"What a remarkable child!" murmured Grace Noir, as they prepared to separate. "Quite a philosopher in short dresses."

"They used to call me a prodigy," murmured Fran, as she obeyed Mrs. Gregory's gesture inviting her to follow up-stairs.

"Now it's stopped raining," Simon Jefferson complained, as he wheeled his mother toward the back hall.

"That's a good omen," said Fran, pressing Mrs. Gregory's hand. "The moonlight was beautiful when I was on the bridge—when I first came here."

"But we need rain," said Grace Noir reprovingly. Her voice was that of one familiar with the designs of Providence. As usual, she and Hamilton Gregory were about to be left alone.

"Who needs it?" called the unabashed Fran, looking over the banisters. "The frogs?"

"Life," responded the secretary somberly.

(To be continued.)

THE NEWS FROM DENSON SPRINGS

July 1.—Health of this community is very good.

Crops are looking fine around here. We had a good rain last week.

Mr. Dim Boman and Miss Gertrude Ferrel were married Thursday night at Elkhart. They came home Saturday a happy couple. Mr. Boman's home is here, where he and his wife will live.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford of Percilla were in this community Sunday visiting relatives.

There was free ice cream Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. B. L. Wise's, which was greatly enjoyed by a large crowd.

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W. D. Magli, a well known merchant of Whitewater, Wis., bought a stock of Chamberlain's medicine so as to be able to supply them to his customers. After receiving them he was himself taken sick and says that one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy was worth more to him than the cost of his entire stock of these medicines. For sale by all dealers. adv

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When you have trouble with your stomach or chronic constipation, don't imagine that your case is beyond help just because your doctor fails to give you relief. Mrs. G. Stengle, Plainfield, N. J., writes, "For over a month past I have been troubled with my stomach. Everything I ate upset it terribly. One of Chamberlain's advertising booklets came to me. After reading a few of the letters from people who had been cured by Chamberlain's Tablets, I decided to try them. I have taken nearly three-fourths of a package of them and can now eat almost everything that I want." For sale by all dealers. adv

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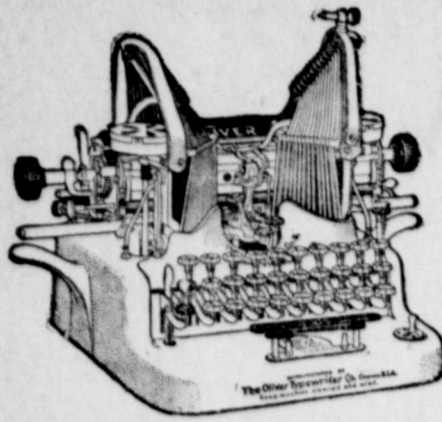
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You are hereby commanded, that by publication of this writ for twenty (20) days in a newspaper regularly published in the said county of Houston, you give due notice to all persons interested in the account for the final settlement of said Estate to file their objections thereto, if any they have, on or before the August term, A. D. 1913, of said County Court, commencing and to be holden at the Court House of said County in the City of Crockett, on the first Monday in August, A. D. 1913, the same being the 4th day of August, A. D. 1913, when said account and application will be considered by said Court.

Witness, O. C. Goodwin, Clerk of the County Court of Houston

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Given under my hand and seal of said court, at my office, in the city of Crockett, Texas, this the 2nd day of July, A. D. 1913. O. C. GOODWIN, Clerk County Court, Houston County, Texas.

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Master Clinton Parker visited relatives in Elkhart last week.

E. M. Carson of Jacksonville is here visiting friends and relatives.

Miles Burson, long time ago a citizen of Grapeland, but now of San Marcos, has been here several days on a visit to relatives and his old friends.

F. B. Rhea is taking his vacation and left the first of the week for Grapeland, where Mrs. Rhea and the baby are visiting Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Rhea's mother Forney Messenger.

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